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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

- Notifying Member: <u>EUROPEAN UNION</u>
 If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
- 2. Agency responsible: European Commission
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- 3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], other:
- 4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Agricultural products intended to be marked as organic in the EU.
- 5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Draft Commission Implementing Regulation amending and correcting Regulation (EC) 889/2008 laying down detailed rules for the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 on organic production and labelling of organic products with regard to organic production, labelling and control (10 pages, in English).
- 6. **Description of content:** Commission Regulation (EC) No 889/2008 defines among other things, detailed rules on fertilisers, soil conditioners and nutrients, plant protection products and feed that may be used in organic production. The proposed amendments update the correspond Annexes with those substances that may be authorised as fertilisers, soil conditioners, nutrients, plant protection products or feed materials and feed additives.
- 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: The objective of this implementing Regulation is to update the list of the substances that may be used in organic production.
- 8. Relevant documents: Council Regulation (EC) 834/2007 on organic production and labelling of organic products

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Commission Regulation (EC) No 889/2008 on laying down detailed rules for the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 http://eur-

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9. Proposed date of adoption: First quarter of 2014

Proposed date of entry into force: 3 days from publication in the Official Journal

of the EU

10. **Final date for comments**: 60 days from notification

11. Text available from: National enquiry point [], or address, telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available of the other body:

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http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2013/TBT/EEC/13_4902_00_e.pdf